

MINUTES  
OF THE  
SECOND ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
NEW-JERSEY SYNOD.

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Held at New-Germantown, Hunterdon Co., N.-J., from the 3d to the 7th of  
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## OFFICERS OF THE NEW-JERSEY SYNOD.

Rev. J. C. DUY, *President*, New Germantown, N.-J.  
“ E. DEYOE, *Secretary*, Saddle River, Bergen, Co., N.-J.  
Mr. A. B. WELLER, *Treasurer*, New Village, Warren Co., N.-J.

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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF HOME MISSIONS AND EDUCATION.

Rev. P. A. Strobel, Chairman; Rev. J. H. Barclay; Rev. E. Deyoe; and Messrs. George Vossler and A. B. Weller.

The third annual Convention of the Synod of New-Jersey, will be held at Centreville, Northampton County, Pa.,—commencing on Friday before the first Sabbath of Oct., 1863, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

# MINUTES.

NEW GERMANTOWN, Hunterdon Co., N.-J.,  
Oct. 3d, 7 o'clock, P. M.

In accordance with resolution 20th, of the first synodical meeting of the Synod of New-Jersey, the clerical members of the Ministerium, and lay delegates from congregations, assembled this evening in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Zion, at New Germantown, New-Jersey, under the pastoral care of the Rev. J. C. Duy.

At half past 7 o'clock the Rev. P. A. Strobel, in compliance with appointment made at the first meeting of the Synod of N.-J., preached the Synodical Sermon from 2 Peter 3, 15. The sermon gave a clear and interesting view of the doctrines and usages of the Evang. Luth. Church. And was listened to with marked attention by a large congregation.

## FIRST SYNODICAL SESSION.

Saturday, Oct., 4th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The ministers and lay delegates assembled for the transaction of business. The President, the Rev. J. C. Duy having called the brethren to order, opened the session by reading a portion of scripture, the singing of a hymn, and prayer, earnestly invoking the guidance and blessing of Heaven on our deliberations.

The ministerial roll was then called, and the following ordained ministers answered to their names:

Rev. J. C. Duy, . . . . .	New-Germantown, N.-J.
“ P. A. Strobel, . . . . .	Clarksville, N.-J.
“ Alfred Hiller, . . . . .	German Valley, N.-J.
“ E. Deyoe, . . . . .	Saddle River, N.-J.
“ J. N. Unruh, . . . . .	Allowaystown, N.-J.
Rev. J. H. Barclay, . . . . .	Stewartsville, N.-J.
“ J. I. Burrell, . . . . .	Stone Church, N'th'pton Co., Pa.
“ J. L. Raw, . . . . .	Bridgeton, N.-J.

The lay delegates presented their credentials, and their names were registered as follows:

From the charge of Rev. J. C. Duy, Mr. J. R. Fisher:  
 " " " P. A. Strobel, Mr. George P. Appgar.  
 " " " A. Hiller, Mr. J. K. Naughtright.  
 " " " E. Deyoe, Mr. Daniel C. Bush.  
 " " " J. N. Unruh, Mr. Henry Mickel.  
 " " " J. H. Barclay, Mr. Benj. Fritts.  
 " " " J. I. Burrell, Christian Houck.  
 Treasurer, Mr. A. B. Weller.

The president read his annual report, which was received, and laid on the table, to be referred to a committee.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

*Dear Brethren:*—Assembled to-day in our second synodical convention, we are called upon to sing both of *mercy* and of *judgment*. As *individuals*, the good hand of our God has been upon us. He has prolonged our lives, and permitted us to see each others faces in peace. For the most part he has continued our health, and enabled us to labor in our respective fields with little interruption.

But the last year has been a sad and eventful one in our history *as a nation*. A dreadful domestic war has been raging among us, and is still doing its work of desolation and death in portions of our land. The thoughts, the time, and the energies of the people, have, of course, been much occupied with this subject, and believing the cause of our government the cause of God, our ministers and people have felt it a sacred duty to support the "powers that be" by every means they could command. Yet though the attention of the community has thus been drawn to our momentous public affairs, we can, and do, most gratefully record that God has been in the midst of our Zion, that he has helped us, and prospered us abundantly!

In several of the charges within our bounds, there have been most precious and encouraging revivals of religion. While in all our pastorates, so far as I know, God has not failed to bless the labors of his servants.

**INSTALLATION.**—On the 11th of December last, according to previous arrangement, J. I. Burrell was installed in his church, at Centreville, Northampton Co., Pa. The Secretary of Synod, Rev. P. A. Strobel, preached the sermon, and gave the charge to the congregation, and the President gave the charge to the Pastor and attended to the installation services. The audiences on the occasion were very large, and we trust the good seed of the kingdom then sown, will bring forth much fruit.

**DEDICATION.**—On the 19th of December last, Br. Hiller's church, in German Valley, rebuilt and beautified at a cost of some four thousand dollars, was dedicated to the service and glory of God. Br. Wm. D. Strobel, D.D., being present, by request, preached the sermon, and your president performed the dedicatory services

The occasion was one of great spiritual interest, and we have reason to believe that the truth then dispensed, and the protracted services which followed, were attended with a rich blessing from the great Head of the Church.

• **MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION ITEMS.**—Our Missionary, Rev. S. L. Raw, entered upon his appointed field of labor at Bridgeton, and surrounding neighborhood, soon after the meeting of Synod. I have heard nothing officially from him during the year, but he will, of course, make his report at the present meeting, when Synod can take such action in the premises as may seem desirable.

We have assisted, during the year, two young brethren, while pursuing their studies at Hartwick Seminary. It is expected that they will report progress at this time, either in person or by letter, and it is hoped that we may be able to continue them upon our funds as long as necessary.

**EXAMINATION.**—A few weeks since *Mr. Staeffler*, a Student from Fort Wayne Theological Seminary, appeared, according to appointment of the last conference held at Bridgeton, before the officers of Synod, at New Germantown, for the purpose of being examined and receiving a license to preach the gospel. After a long examination, in regard to his personal piety, and theological attainments, we felt authorized to give him a license to preach until the present meeting of Synod. It is expected that the Brother will present himself before you, when a final disposition should be made of his case.

**RELATIONS TO OTHER SYNODS.**—The explanations of the President of the Ministerium of Pa. and adjacent states, (See Minutes of 115th annual session, p. 11), in regard to the supposed want of courtesy in the reception of your delegate, commissioned to attend the meeting of that body, are accepted as satisfactory, but at the same time we regret that they did not appoint a delegate to appear among us at the present meeting of our Synod, and thus exemplify their professions of sympathy and brotherly love. (See their Min., pp. 11 and 29).

**CHARTER FOR SYNOD.**—I am enabled to announce that during the session of our State Legislature, last winter, an act of incorporation, securing to us all the legal rights and immunities we desire, was procured for us through the agency of Br. Strobel, and is herewith submitted.

In looking over the past short history of our Synod, we have much cause for thankfulness in view of the favors which God has bestowed upon us; and, surely, that gracious Being who has been with us hitherto, will not forsake us in the future! Let us trust Him, love Him, labor for Him, and He will still own and bless our unworthy efforts for the advancement of His kingdom. And now may his Holy Spirit, the Enlightener, the Sanctifier, and Comforter of his people, be with us in all his fulness, to direct our thoughts,

to bring us to wise and wholesome conclusions, and to strengthen us for every duty and every trial, and may grace, mercy and peace be with us as ministers and people, and to the triune God shall be the glory.

Signed,

J. C. DUY,  
*President of Synod.*

NEW GERMANTOWN, OCT., 3d, 1862.

*Corresponding Delegate.*—Rev. W. D. Strobel, D.D., from the Ministerium of Synod of New-York, was invited to participate in our deliberations. The Rev. J. W. Schwartz of the East-Pennsylvania Synod; Rev. Isaac Thomas, of the M. Epis. Ch., New Germantown; Brothers Stoeffler, Bockstahler and J. W. Lake being present were received as advisory members of Synod.

The election of Officers being in order, the Rev. J. N. Unruh and G. P. Apgar were appointed tellers.

The Rev. P. A. Strobel having declined to be re-elected to the Secretaryship, the election resulted as follows:

President, REV. J. C. DUY.

Secretary, REV. E. DEYOE.

Treasurer, MR. ABRAHAM B. WELLER.

Various communications and minutes of Synods requiring our attention were laid on the table, arranged and referred to committees as follows:

Committee No. 1: President's report, Rev. P. A. Strobel and J. H. Barclay.

Committee No. 2: Rev. P. A. Strobel and Mr. A. B. Weller.

Committee No. 3: Rev. J. N. Unruh and Mr. Daniel C. Bush.

Committee No. 4: J. I. Burrell and Mr. Benj. Fritts.

Committee No. 5: Rev. A. Hiller and Mr J. K. Naughtright.

Committee on the Minutes of the Synod of New-Jersey: Rev. J. H. Barclay and Mr. Henry Mickle.

The reading of Parochial Reports being in order, was, by resolution, deferred and made the order of business for Monday morning, at 10 o'clock.

The Treasurer read his report, which was accepted, and on motion I. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer's Report and accompanying documents be referred to an auditing committee. Committee: Rev. A. Hiller and Mr. George P. Apgar.

The Rev. J. L. Raw was granted leave of absence until Monday. Synod adjourned to meet again on Monday morning, at half-past 8 o'clock for devotional exercises, and 9 o'clock for business.

Prayer by the Rev. J. I. Burrell.

#### RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sermon preparatory to communion, was preached on Saturday afternoon, by the Secretary, from the Gospel of St. John 9, 15. Liturgical services were conducted by the Rev. P. A. Strobel.

On Saturday evening an interesting sermon was preached by

the Rev. J. W. Schwarts of the East-Pennsylvania Synod, from Romans 10, 1.

#### SABBATH SERVICES.

At half-past 10 o'clock, the Rev. J. H. Barclay preached an able and instructive sermon to a large and attentive audience. Text: Romans 12, 11. The sermon was followed by the celebration of the Lord's Supper, in which the ministers, lay-delegates and members of the Church participated, the communion was large, deeply interesting and solemn. It was especially gratifying to see so many young persons standing up for Jesus.

The Rev. J. I. Burrell preached in German-Valley, from the Gospel of St. Matth., 7, 24. Rev. J. N. Unruh preached in the M. Epis. Ch., New Germantown.

*Sabbath School met in church at 3 o'clock, P. M.* Prayer by the Rev. E. Deyoe. Addresses were made by the Rev. J. N. Unruh, P. A. Strobel and E. Deyoe,—the exercises were interspersed with good singing, by the school. This was a very pleasant meeting. After the close of the sabbath school, a German sermon was preached by Brother Bockstahler. *Sabbath evening*, Rev. J. N. Unruh preached an instructive sermon from Jeremiah 9, 1. The Rev. J. W. Schwarts preached in the M. Ep. Ch., Matt. 7, 24-27.

#### SECOND SESSION.

Monday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Synod met and opened with prayer by the Rev. A. Hiller. Roll called. The minutes of the previous session read and adopted.

Mr. Bockstahler and Stoeffler made application for licensure, which was referred to the Ministerium.

Reports of Committee.

Committee No. 1. To whom the President's annual report was referred, beg leave to say that they have attended to the duty assigned them, but find nothing in said document requiring any special action of Synod. They recommend that it be adopted and printed with the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. P. A. STROBEL, }  
" J. H. BARCLAY, } Comm.

II. *Resolved*, That the report be adopted.

*Report No. 2.*—The committee to whom was referred a letter from Mr. David Miller, a member of the Friesburg Charge, of Salem Co., appealing from the action of the Church Council in a case of discipline, beg leave to report.

That while it is the privilege of every member of our Church to seek redress of any grievances which he may suffer through the supposed improper action of his Pastor or Church Council. Yet in this case your committee are of opinion that Synod cannot take any action, as the appellant has failed to comply with the

requirements of our discipline. (See Chap. V., Sec. IV). We have the case before us only on an *ex parte* statement, and under the circumstances, cannot legally proceed to consider it. We recommend, however, that if the brother, in a proper spirit, ask to be restored to the Church, his request should be granted.

P. A. STROBEL, } Committee.  
A. B. WELLER, }

III. *Resolved*, That the report be adopted.

*Committee No. 3.*—Your committee report that the documents entrusted to them are: *First*, Minutes of the 66th Synodical meeting of the Evan. Luth. Ministerium of New-York. *Second*, The 25th session of the Frankean Evang. Luth. Synod. *Third*, The 11th convention of the Evang. Luth. Synod of Northern Illinois. After a close examination your committee rejoice to say that energy, zeal and activity in promoting the glory of God and advancing the Redeemer's kingdom, are not wanting among the brethren of these Synods. We find nothing in these documents requiring any special action on the part of this body.

REV. J. N. UNRUH, } Committee.  
DANIEL C. BUSH, }

IV. *Resolved*, That the report be adopted.

*Committee No. 4.*—Your committee beg leave to report that the documents entrusted into their care are: *First*, Minutes of the Hartwick Synod; *Second*, minutes of the East-Pennsylvania Synod; *Third*, Minutes of the Pennsylvania Synod. Your committee are gratified to notice the prosperity of Zion, as manifested in the reports of these synodical bodies. They see nothing in these Minutes calling for any special action of this Synod.

REV. J. ILGEN BURRELL, } Committee.  
BENJAMIN FRITTS, }

V. *Resolved*, That the report be adopted.

*Committee No. 5.*—Your committee, to whom the Minutes of the General Synod, and the act of the Legislature to incorporate our Synod were referred, have examined the same and would report that as far as we are able to judge, the act of incorporation is correct, and the Minutes of the General Synod are carefully and tastefully prepared, and contain nothing requiring any action on the part of this body.

We would, however, invite the attention of Synod to one of the standing resolutions on District Synods; in which the several Synods are directed to appoint alternates for their primarii when they elect delegates to the General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. A. HILLER, } Committee.  
J. K. NAUGHRIGHT, }

VI. *Resolved*, That the report be adopted.

The hour having arrived in which the reading of parochial reports became the order of the day, that business was attended to as follows.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Statistics of Membership.										Sabbath Schools.			Contributions.					
		Congregations.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Rec. by Certificate.	No. rec. into church.	Total of Church Members.	Members deceased.	Funerals attended.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Lutheran.	Union.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Prayer Meetings.	Synodical.	Home Missions and Education.	Local Objects.
New-Germantown, N.-J. ....	Rev. J. C. Dwyer.....	1	8	13	45	5	63	201	1	6	3	1	1	15	100	2	\$3.42	\$72.50	\$150.00	
Spruce Run, N.-J. ....	" P. A. Strobel..	1	16	2	9	1	10	140	4	1	1	2	2	40	250	1	\$11.00	52.00	250.00	
Saddle River, N.-J. ....	" E. Deyoe.....	2	9	2	10	1	12	108	5	5	1	1	1	11	55	1	2.50	21.68	.....	
Ramapo, N.-Y. ....	" .....	2	18	4	1	1	1	185	1	8	2	3	9	50	1	2.50	10.58	.....	.....	
Friesburg and Luther's Chapel, N.-J.	" J. N. Urruh....	2	12	2	4	1	9	200	11	1	2	1	41	175	4	5.00	86.93	.....	.....	
Stewartsville, N.-J. ....	" J. H. Barclay..	1	7	6	8	8	13	146	1	1	1	1	30	140	1	8.00	21.00	150.00		
Zion's German Valley, N.-J. ....	" A. Hiller.....	1	19	12	1	1	19	156	2	2	1	1	20	150	3	8.00	23.89	.....	.....	
St. Paul's and Mount Sinai, Pa.	" J. I. Burrell....	2	30	8	85	20	63	378	3	3	6	1	5	40	300	1	.....	138.54	.....	
Bridgeton, N.-J. ....	" J. L. Raw.....	1	6	.....	36	36	36	38	3	3	1	1	1	1	31	1	.....	.....	50.00	
		11	101	35	124	67	1226	1497	12	33	10	8	12	10	207	1256	13	\$30.42	\$426.62	\$600.00

## REMARKS ACCOMPANYING PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

REV. J. C. DUX.—In the course of the last year the Lord has been graciously near to us as a congregation. During the winter we had a season of unusual religious interest, at one communion season fifty-four persons, nearly the half of them young men, were added to the Church, and ever since these young converts have maintained among themselves an interesting prayer meeting. Twenty of my congregation, and of the number fourteen communing members, have volunteered to serve their country on the battle field. Our contributions have been about the same as in former years; but in addition, by means of a penny-a-week society, we have raised \$34.00 for missionary and education purposes, which have been paid to our treasurer during the past year.

REV. P. A. STROBEL.—The Church at Spruce Run, under the blessing of God, is in a prosperous condition. We have had no protracted meeting during the past year, yet there have been some accessions to our number. Several valuable and pious female members called to their reward in heaven. Through the efforts of a few zealous females, \$52.00 have been collected for missions and education, upon the plan of monthly contributions. We have four sabbath schools in the bounds of the congregation, which have been well sustained, and are exerting a happy influence upon the rising generation. As a congregation we have enjoyed a large measure of peace and unity, and we desire to express our gratitude to the great Head of the Church for the manifold tokens of his mercy, we pray for more spirituality, and an increased zeal and usefulness in the cause of our Divine Redeemer. In addition to moneys already reported, \$5.00 have been given by the congregation to Hunterdon County Bible Society.

REV. E. DEYOE.—The past synodical year has been marked with many tokens of the favor and goodness of God in my charge. The Lord has not left us without the witness of his presence. The means of grace, the preaching of the word is well attended, and some have been inquiring the way to Zion with their faces thitherward. And we have been enabled by the Divine blessing peacefully to pursue the even tenor of our way. We feel that we have great reason to be thankful for the past, and with renewed confidence go forward, hoping and trusting in God for the future.

REV. J. N. UNRUH.—Attendance at Church as usual. Sunday schools good. Our contributions more than doubled.

REV. J. H. BARCLAY.—Our Congregation has contributed \$13.00 to the Christian Union, in addition to the sum stated for Synod. The Lord is with us. "Peace within our walls, and prosperity within our palaces. We thank God and take courage."

REV. A. HILLER.—During the past synodical year we have richly enjoyed the Divine blessing. In the good providence of God our neat and comfortable church edifice was completed, and on the 19th of last Dec. dedicated to the service of the Triune

God, with appropriate ceremonies, in the presence of a large and attentive congregation. The total cost of our repairs was \$4,485,66, of this amount the bell and fixtures \$415,25. The furniture, lamps, cushions, &c., cost \$349,16. A short time after the consecration of our Church, we were blessed with a precious season of revival, in which the Church was not only revived; but twenty-five of the impenitent were hopefully converted, and of that number eighteen have united with the Church. The attendance upon the preached word is uniformly good. And upon the whole, even in the midst of the absorbing and distracting influences of war, we feel that we have every reason to thank God and take courage. Besides the moneys reported, I sent \$20,00 to the treasurer last summer for missions and education.

REV. J. I. BURRELL.—The congregations constituting my charge are in a prosperous condition. The preaching of the word is well attended, and the majority of the members are strictly attentive to all the duties devolving upon them as followers of the Redeemer. During the past year the churches enjoyed a special season of grace, during which a large number of souls passed from death unto life. As the result of these revivals, about fifty very interesting and promising additions were made to the churches.

REV. J. L. RAW.—In regard to the spiritual condition of my mission charge at Bridgeton, I cannot speak with much encouragement. There are only a few who manifest an interest in regard to living piety. The majority of our German population of Bridgeton are indifferent and worldly, and some concerning whom we had good hopes, have sadly disappointed our expectation. But little aid has been received in my work from those who were chosen as a council, but they have rather crippled me in my efforts to do good. The attendance on preaching was pretty fair until the warm season set in, since which time it has not been so large. I cannot report any conversions, though I think that there are a number who are convicted, and feel that religion is a matter of importance. Oh, that the Lord would look down in mercy upon our German people and visit them with his spirit. I beg and hope that the work will in some way still be prosecuted, for I still think that there are prospects of doing good among the Germans of Bridgeton. I have endeavored to declare to them the truth as it is in Jesus, and we trust that the seed sown will yet bring forth fruit, for the Lord has declared that his word shall not come back without accomplishing his will, and if I have to part with you, dear brethren, accept my hearty thanks for your kindness shown to me. May God bless and increase you abundantly.

Report of committee.

Your committee appointed, to ascertain whether this Synod has a right to a representation in the board of Trustees, in Gettysburg Seminary, report that as we as a Synod, have not made any

contribution to that institution, we are not entitled to a representation. See Statutes of the General Synod, page 23, Catalogue and Constitution of the Theological Seminary.

J. N. UNRUH, }  
J. W. BARCLAY, } Committee.

VII. *Resolved*, That the report be adopted.

Synod adjourned to meet at two, P. M. Prayer by REV. J. W. SCHWARTS.

### THIRD SESSION.

Synod met and was opened with prayer, by the REV. WM. D. STROBEL, D.D.

The minutes of the previous session were read and adopted.

An election was then held for the next place of meeting, and Centreville, Pa., was chosen.

VIII. *Resolved*, That when this Synod adjourns, it will be to meet again in the Lutheran Church, of Centreville, Pa., in the pastoral charge of the REV. J. I. BURRELL, on Friday before the first Sabbath in October, 1863, at seven o'clock, P. M.

*Report of the Delegates to the General Synod.*—Your delegates appointed to attend the late meeting of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church, held at Reading, Pa., would report that they attended said meeting, and upon their application, this Synod was received into connection with that body, and your delegates were duly recognised.

REV. J. H. BARCLAY, }  
" A. HILLER, } Committee.

The Committee on the Catechism of Mr. C. A. MORIS, Esq., reported progress.

REV. P. A. STROBEL, }  
" E. D. DEYOE, } Committee.  
" J. C. DUY, }

IX. *Resolved*, That the committee on the Easy Catechism, by Mr. C. A. MORIS be continued, and instructed to confer with the Publication Society, and ascertain if the Society will not publish the Catechism, providing we will take 800 copies.

*Report of the Committee on the Treasurer's Account.*—Your Committee appointed to audit the account of the treasurer, having attended to the duty assigned them, respectfully report that they find the account correct, the treasurer having received, during the past synodical year, \$336,26, and paid \$347,24, leaving the Synod indebted to the treasurer to the amount of \$10,98.

REV. A. HILLER, }  
MR. G. P. APGER, } Committee.

Synod adjourned. Prayer by J. W. Lake.

## FOURTH SESSION.

Tuesday, Oct. 7th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Synod was opened with prayer, by the Rev. A. Hiller. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

X. *Resolved*, That we will publish 400 copies of the Minutes of this meeting of Synod, for distribution among our churches.

Your delegate appointed to attend the meeting of the Evang. Luth. Synod of New-York, attended their last meeting held in the city of Newark, N.-J., and was cordially received by the brethren, and was happy to find a friendly state of feeling existing in that body towards our Synod.

J. H. BARCLAY.

The Rev. J. C. Duy was appointed a delegate to represent our Synod at the next meeting of the Ministerium of the State of N.-Y., and that the Rev. P. A. Strobel be his alternate. The Rev. A. Hiller was appointed as delegate to represent this body at the next meeting of the East Pa. Synod. Our next meeting of conference is to be held in the month of January, 1863, in the charge of brother Hiller, German-Valley.

XI. *Resolved*, That we pay the Rev. J. L. Raw \$50, and settle the rent with Mr. Cook, of Bridgeton, and that the Rev. J. N. Unruh be authorised to attend to this matter for Synod.

XII. *Resolved*, That it be recommended that Bro. Stoeffler spend a year in the study of theology, at Hartwick Seminary, and that the Executive Committee make an appropriation for his support, to enable him to comply with this recommendation.

XIII. *Resolved*, That at some suitable time, the pastor of this church, return to the members of the congregation the hearty thanks of this Synod, for the kind christian hospitality extended to its members during their stay among them.

XIV. *Resolved*, That we do now adjourn, to meet at Centreville, Pa., on Friday before the first sabbath in Oct., 1863, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

The session was closed with singing and prayer, followed by the benediction. When the brethren, bidding each other farewell, returned to their homes and respective fields of labor.

I certify the foregoing to be a faithful record of the proceedings of the second annual convention of the Synod of New-Jersey.

E. DEYOE, Secretary.

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 MEETING OF THE MINISTERIUM.

The Ministerium held a session at the adjournment of Synod, on Saturday, 11 o'clock. Opened with prayer, by Bro. Burrell.

Rev. J. L. Raw, in behalf of Mr. Jacob Bockstahler, requested that he should be admitted to examination.

I. *Resolved*, That Mr. Bockstahler be referred to the examining committee.

II. *Resolved*, That the Rev. J. I. Burrell fill the place in the examining committee made vacant by the absence of the Rev. C. A. Fritze.

On motion, adjourned, prayer by the secretary.

## SECOND SESSION.

*Monday, 12 o'clock, m.*

Prayer by the Rev. J. L. Raw. Minutes of the former Session read and approved.

The examining committee reported, recommending that the Ministerium license Jacob Bockstahler to preach for one year.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. P. A. STROBEL.

“ J. W. BARCLAY.

“ J. I. BURRELL.

Mr. Jacob Bockstahler was, accordingly, licensed, as recommended by the committee.

Adjourned, with prayer, by the Rev. J. N. Unruh.

E. DEYOE, Secretary.

*New Germantown, N.-J., Oct. 6, 1862.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, of New-Jersey, would present the following as a correct account of all moneys received and paid out by him during the synodical year, ending on the 3d of October, 1862.

Mr. Abraham B. Weller, in acct. with the Synod of New-Jersey.

DR.

Balance in treasury, . . . . .	\$35.82
Received from Rev. J. C. Duy, New Germantown, . . . . .	18.00
“ “ Rev. P. A. Strobel, Spruce Run, . . . . .	118.00
“ “ Rev. J. N. Unruh, Friesburg, . . . . .	50.00
“ “ Rev. A. Hiller, German Valley, . . . . .	28.44
“ “ Rev. E. Deyoe, Saddle River and Ramapo, . . . . .	65.00
“ “ Rev. J. I. Burrell, Stone Church, Pa., . . . . .	16.00
“ “ Rev. J. H. Barclay, Stewartsville, . . . . .	5.00
Total received, . . . . .	<u>\$336.26</u>

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Paid out during the year :	
For Domestic Missions, . . . . .	\$155.00
“ educational purposes . . . . .	116.00
“ synodical purposes, . . . . .	76.24
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	\$347.24
Total paid out, . . . . .	\$347.24
Total received, . . . . .	336.26
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Synod indebted to Treasurer, . . . . .	\$10.98

A. B. WELLER, *Treasurer.**New Germantown, Oct. 4th, 1862.*

### MEETING OF THE HOME MISSIONS AND EDUCATION SOCIETY.

This Society held its annual meeting on Monday evening. The Exercises were introduced by appropriate singing from the choir, followed with prayer, by the Rev. W. D. Strobel.

The Chairman of the executive committee, the Rev. P. A. Strobel, reported, giving a full and satisfactory account of the doings of the Society during the past year.

The committee employed the Rev. J. L. Raw, who has been faithfully laboring as their missionary, among the Germans in Cumberland Co., N.-J., but confined more particularly to Bridgeton.

The committee has been aiding two young men in studying for the ministry during the past year, and will have three on the funds of the Society for the coming year. Our Synod and Society are yet in their infancy, but it is already manifest, that the Lord has a work for us to do. Students and Missionaries come to us for aid and direction, and fields of usefulness are opening before us. Let us devise liberal things. Let us endeavor, in the outset, to stir up our people to activity and enlarged benevolence in building up the interests of our Zion, and spreading abroad a knowledge of our Divine Redeemer, and God will bless our efforts in his cause and dispose the hearts of the people, that they will come up to our help with their prayers, their sympathy and their money.

A very appropriate and able address was then made by the Rev. Wm. D. Strobel, D.D., of the N.-Y. Synod. It was listened to with fixed attention from beginning to end.

The Rev. J. N. Unruh followed with a few remarks, at the close of which the following persons were made life members.

Rev. J. C. Duy, by the Rev. J. N. Unruh, \$5.00. Mrs. Duy, wife of Rev. J. C. Duy, by the ladies of the choir, \$5.00. Miss Catharine Van Doren, by the gentlemen of the choir, \$5.00. Judge Smith, by Rev. Unruh, Mr. P. M. Felmy, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Van Doren, Mrs. Howell, \$5.00. Miss Ann Melick, by Rev. Barclay, Mrs. Bartles, Mr. Vossler, Mr. Naughtright, Mr. G. P. Apgar, \$5.00. Miss Maggy Clark,\* by Rev. J. C. Duy, Rev. Burrell, Mr. C. Houck, &c., \$5.00. President A. Lincoln, by Rev. J. L. Raw, Rev. Schwarts, Mrs. Suttan, Mrs. Fisher, Mr. J. Welsh, \$5.00.

The following persons became annual members by the payment of \$1.00 each: Rev. J. C. Duy, P. A. Strobel, E. Deyoe, J. N. Unruh, J. H. Barclay, A. Hiller, J. I. Burrell, Mr. A. B. Weller, D. C. Bush, C. Houck, G. P. Apgar, Mr. Vossler, J. R. Naughtright, H. Mickle; collection \$1.50, making in all \$50.50.

An election for officers resulted as follows:

REV. J. N. UNRUH, *President*.

REV. E. DEYOE, *Secretary*.

MR. A. B. WELLER, *Treasurer*.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee, the following appropriations were voted for the ensuing year: To our Missionary among the Germans, in Gloucester Co., \$75.00. To our students at Hartwick Seminary as follows: Mr. J. W. Lake, \$120; Mr. George Enders, \$50; Mr. Stoeffler, \$75.

*Resolved*, That the next annual meeting of this Society be held at Centreville, Pa., on Monday evening, after the first Sabbath in Oct., 1863, at 7 o'clock, P. M. That the Rev. J. H. Barclay deliver an address on Education, and the Rev. P. A. Strobel on Missions.

Closed with singing and benediction.

E. DEYOE, *Secretary*.

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\* Miss Maggy Clark was made a life member by Rev. E. Deyoe, Rev. J. C. Duy, Rev. Burrell, Mr. C. Houck, &c.